### **REAL ESTATE ACTIVE DURING PAST WEEK**

Exceeds Business of the Same Period Last Year, Both in Volume and Number.

Reality trading in the fourth week of September displayed not only the greatest activity of the month, but excelled the business of the corresponding period of 1912 by 20 per cent, not only in the number of transactions but in volume as well. Over the figures for the preceding week an increase of one sale a day is noted. In the number of lots transferred the past week is slightly behind the record of the third week of September.

The month's high mark for a day's selling was equaled this week, when the brokers succeeded on Thursday in completing thirty-two sales. This record for a day's activity in September was set on the 17th. The next best day this week was Monday, when twentynine transactions were effected. Yesterday was in third place, with twentysix trades consummated. There were twenty-four deals closed on Tuesday eighteen on Wednesday and sixteen or he half holiday of Saturday.

in completing a total of 145 transac-tions in which were involved 224 lots and parcels of real estate, the brokers and parcels of real estate, the brokers consider they have had a most gratifying week's business. Increased activity is anticipated next week, which combines the closing days of September and the beginning of October.

Fall trading is expected to begin in earnest next week. October, usually the busiest of the fall season, is looked to for a continuance of its previous

to for a continuance of its previous sood records. The selling of reality has been retarded in some degree during the past weeks by extended vacations of both brokers and investors. Many are prolonging their absence from Washington until the beginning of October. This is especially true of investors who took European trips.

Residences Lead In Trading.

The news that President Wilson is about to take up the matter of approving the awards for the property included within the ten squares to be added to the Capitol grounds will be welcome to the brokers. As a large portion of

to the Capacoi grounds will be welcome to the Sa.000,000 to be paid for this land will go to owners who lived within the area, the brokers expect that these homeowhers will become home-seekers in other sections of the city. Such demand for new homes would give a decided impetus to the fail trading, it is expected.

The approach of cooler weather has not yet affected the demand for property in the outlying suburbs. During the past week 191 parcels of realty changed owners in that vicinity and enabled the section to retain its lead of the market. The near-urban district, was in second Near at hand was the northwest, where thirty-eight lots were transferred. There were twenty-ope, lots sold in the southwest and nineteen in the northeast. Two sales were reported in the southwest. There was a dearth of selling within the business localities this week, not one important sale being recorded. The week's activity was given over to residences, apartment houses, and unimproved to the southwest.

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The Commerce at Nime of the Department of Commerce at Nime teenth and H'streets northwest pury teenth and H'streets northwest pury chased yesterday the adjoining property at 1823 H street from Edisabeth D'Yates. The purpose of the new acquisition is not made public, nor is the price stated.

Loan Market Is Steady.

ton; is to have another motion pleture theater. During the week the Orpheum Amusement Company acquired the property of Mrs. Hettenkemer at Fourth street northeast. Extensive provements will be made. Earlier in the month the site for a large picture play house on the south side of the park was purchased by other interests, and improvements are in progress there.

The loan market tried hard to parallel borrowed on the security of 197 lots at an average interest rate of 5.6 per cent Straight loans again led the week's business showing an aggregate of \$172. deferred purchase money was \$108. 2. The building associations advacned \$67,100 to members. County property was encumbered to the extent of \$177.840.27, being most favored as Jean security during the week. The northwest ranked second, having been pledged for an aggregate of \$124.786.85. The record of loans in the other city sections was: Northeast, \$24.896; southeast, \$15.562.25, and southwest, \$4.556.

## Recent Sales Reported

The firm of N. L. Sanstury Company real estate brokers reports the following recent sales; representing \$57.656 in business handled during the past two

For Kennedy Bros., Inc., 677 Lexington street, northeast, to Rev. H. N. Pringle; 629 Lexington street, northeast, to Mrs. Mary F. Wolford; 639 Lexingto Mrs. Mary F. Wolford; 639 Lexington street, northeast, to Walter L. Dulin, 641 Lexington street, northeast to Fred W. Sweeney: 647 Lexington street, northwest to As S. Emery; 717 Quebec street, northwest to As S. Emery; 717 Quebec street, northwest, to W. R. Graham; The total sales for Kennedy Bros, amounting to \$33,500.

For Lewis E. Breuninger: 2334 17th street, northwest, to Mrs. Olive Rea Ballard; 2534 Hall place, northwest, to Misses Theodosia and Anna Rupit; The total sales for Lewis E. Breuninger, amount to \$10,450.

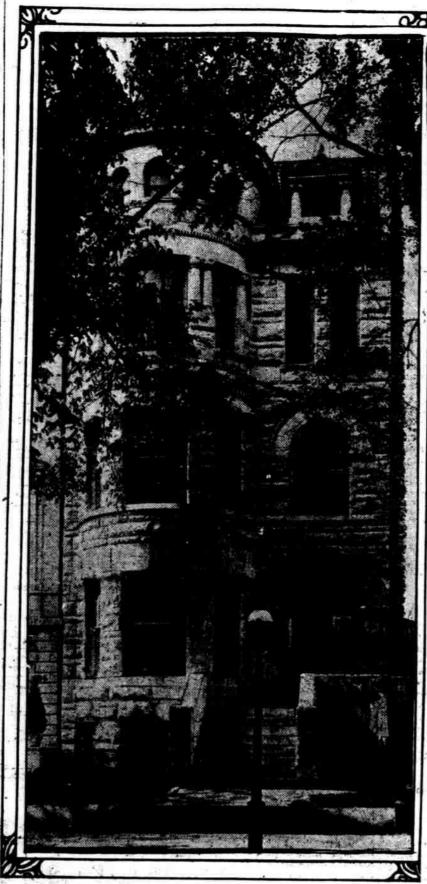
Georgia avenue and 13th street.

These lots have a frontage of 49 feet by a depth of about 99 feet on which the purchasers will build residence containing eight rooms and bath, each. The sales in Saul's Addition total \$12,-100. Sales for the two weeks aggregate

### Residences Made Into Stores and Apartments

Remodeling the old residence propertie on the southeast corner of Twelfth and H streets northwest will merge the resifences into one spacious building.
Four stores will occupy the lower floor of the building, all of them facing on Twelfth street. Four apartments will be contained in the upper story. The building is being remodeled for Elwood O. Wagenbook. R. F. Whitty & Co., architects, de

House That Is to Have \$20,000 Addition, and New Lutheran Home



O'Donnell Home, 1710 New Hampshire Avenue.

## SCIENCE STRUCTURE | BEGIN WORK SOON ON HARD ON BUILDERS

Construction of New Home of The Savoy, on North Fourteenth Carnegie Institution Is Proving Difficult.

The science of building and the exact science of research work on terrestrial The loan market tried hard to parallel the preceding week's business, less than stop separating the totals recorded both weeks. The exact figures for the past six days were \$347.645.37. This sum was borrowed on the security of 197 lots at an average interest rate of 55 ms. for supremacy just now in the erection Chase drive. The builder and the The structure will cost approximately more precise scientist are both occupy- \$39,000 and will have a seating capacity ing themselves with problems which o. 810.

By Sansbury Company

which is promised to be completed in A marquise finished in criamental from glass will project over the building line above the entrance to the less walls. To the layman unfamiliar with the problems of the building profession, this may mean much or little. To the builder it means an exercise of great care and many tests to be sure that the requisites are complled with.

Non-Vibration Floors.

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The floors of the new building are not supposed to be attached to any support, or at least, they are merely at-lached with sufficient support to allow tached with sufficient support to allow tached with sufficient support to allow the growing business of north Washwhich every building rocks and topples liigton in the conception of the scientist, but which is overlooked by the layman. To which is overlooked by the layman. To evercome this vibration, the builder has to merely support the floors of the Carnegie Institution from two walls leaving the other two walls free. Furthermore to facilitate the project, piers are run from the basement to the poor where the delicate tests are made, ofter below tried and tested from heds after being tried and tested from beds of sand. The lay of the land has to be perfect for the purpose and in their choice at Broad Branch road the scientists have found the necessary

The total sales for Lewis E. Breuninger, smount to \$10.45%.

In-Saul's Addition: For Jno. R. Haislip premises sumbered 1301 Emerson street, northwest, to Horace G. Smithy, lot 66, square 2508, on Delafield place northwest, to Horace S. Smithy, lot 66, square 2508, on Delafield place northwest, to Jno. R. Haislip, lot 18, square 252, on Delafield place, northwest, between Georgia avenue and 13th street. which has charge of the erection of his difficult structure, is confirmed in pares with it, and it is the general be lief that there is nothing exactly similar in the country.

tion that is required for their build-

Group of Scientists.

The group of scientists which will work on their delicate tests here will \$15.00c, be under the direction of Dr. Bauer.
a specialist in terrestrial magnetism of fice the detached residence at 195 Fourteenth street northwest in "Saul's A. Fleming, who is with the builders in the course of their work every instant to see that the work is pro-gressing with the necessary precigressing with the necessary precision and care, will assist Dr. Bauer.
The features of the structure include a platform which will be erected on the roof, from which tests and experiments can be made, similar to the cupalo of an observatory where astronomical observations are made.
The hullding will he three stories in The building will be three stories in height. In the basement will be found the laboratories, and in the two appear floors where most of the instruthe scientists will be conducted.

# NEW MOVIE THEATER

Street, Will Cost \$30,000 Central Presbyterian, at Irving and Seat 810 People.

Construction is about to be begun on the Savoy, the largest moving picture mangnetism are running a close race theater in Washington, to be located on Fourteenth street, between Irving street

ing themselves with problems which are difficult, the latter with delicate instruments that measure the vibration in the drop of a hair. But the problems of the builder are almost as difficult. He must erect a building for the scientists, which is briefly contracted for, when he guarantees to trace a building with "vibrationless walls."

The building for the Carnegie Institution now in course of erection and which is promised to be completed in November, will have these vibration.

con immediately after the present lease expires, will be complete by January. The introduction of a new moving feture theater in that section of the

plans for the contemplated theater. D. E. Nichols will have charge of the building operations. The new theater will be owned by the Saroy Theater Company, incorporated, which owns and conducts the Lyric, on upper Fourteenth street.

### of Gardiner & Dent of properties was considered. Sales Through Office

An exchange of properties was con-summated during the week by Gardiner A number of plain windows will be contained in the edifice, and their diversity will include the old-fashioned round topped windows to break a possible monotony.

The same property at 127 Fourteenth street northwest, a three story brick building designed for a store, was excharged for a one-story building at 2329 Fourteenth street, valued at \$6.000, and owned by H. C. Johnson. The total consideration on the Saum property was \$15.000.

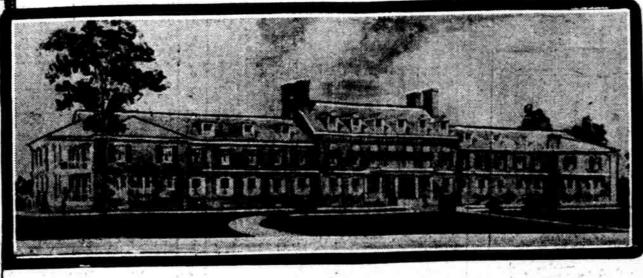
A number of plain windows will be contained in the edifice, and their diversity will include the old-fashioned round topped windows to break a possible monotony.

The structure is expected to be finished by February. Building is expected to be begun within the next week, although before ground can be broken for the structure, a parsonage, which occupies the site at present, will have to be razed.

Addition," to B. Schaper. The consideration was \$8,000. The property is a two-story and attic dwelling containing eight rooms. It fronts 79 feet on Fourteenth street and 100 feet on Iowa avenue.

Gardiner & Dent report the sale for Alexander Shafer of the two-story brick dwelling at 712 Morton street. It was dwelling at 712 Morton street. It was purchased as an investment at a con

Forced Off the Stage.



## WILL BUILD \$20,000

James O'Donnell Plans Great northeast. \$1,400. Improvement in Home at 1710 New Hampshire Ave.

An improvement of property figuring

is one of the largest of the present week is the proposed \$20,000 addition which will be made to the residence at 1710 New Hampshire avenue northwest. The esidence was erected at a cost of about \$100,000 eighteen years ago for E. A. Newman, of this city, and is at present owned by Jomes O'Donnell.

The present entrance, which is reached by nine steps, will be changed, and an American basement will be added to the

A side addition of twenty-five feet frontage on New Hampshire avenue will be made to the residence, which has a present frontage of twenty-five feet. The addition will be made for the three stories which the building contains, and will be so constructed that harmony will prevail in the exterior finish. The facade will be done in white marble similar to that already used in the older structure.

A gentleman's lounge and billiard room will be contained in the basement of the addition. A while marble staircase of six feet width will connect the basement with the first floor.

A salon done in Louis XVI style will be included in the first floor addition, and will be finished in white and gray plaster. reatment on the walls.

The pretentious dining room will be lone in Elizabethan, with wainscotting nine feet high on the walls, surmounted y a frieze above in pale buff, and orna nental raspberry drapings in duli gold. The ceiling will be white. Bedrooms will be contained in the two apper stories. B. Stanley Simmons drew plans for the improvements.

and Fifteenth Streets, to Be Elegant Edifice.

The erection of the new Central Presbyterian Church, on the southeast corn er of Fifteenth and Irving streets northwest, is expected to be begun shortly theater, whose lease expires October L pending preliminary arrangements with builders and the organization of funds to finance the proposition. The property has been contemplated

the transfer of the older church at Third atties of the growing influence and regulation of this institution. The heaviest registration in any one department to build on the new site. The latter attended to the control of the control of the second of Sciences, which has an entering class exceeding 100.

old trying corner may serve as an inconvenience to the President.

The future, central Presbyterian Church wilf-he designed in the Colonia sple of architecture. It will measure about the feetings of the Greek and Lating the form of feetings of the Greek and Lating the sple of architecture. It will measure about 125-feet square of the Greek and the feeting of the chair of Greek and lating in the chair of Greek and lating the sple of architecture here. The Rev. Dr. John T. It forms the edince and limestone will from will be the edince and limestone will from the edince and limestone will from the edince and limestone will be university to become the paster of St. Adjan's Church, in Baltimore, but several minas will relieve the brick work, which will constitute most of the exterior of the feet the minyersity ibrary in recent years was professing the department. The most valuable addition to the university to take up construction work. A picasant birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Little, on Ashland avenue, Riverdale, in home of Mrs. advenue, Riverdale, in home of Mrs. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, Mr. and Mrs. advenue, Riverdale, in home of Mrs. advenue, Riverdale, and the municipal-tature here. The Rev. Dr. John T. H. Rev. Dr. J ington.

3. Stanley Simmons, who designed the Lyric and the Acres two adjacent howing picture houses also designed a system of rolling partitions.

The main floor will seat about 500 congregation. The interior walls will be

which occupies the site at present, will have to be razed.

The Rev. James H. Taylor is the minister of the Central Presbyterian Church.

A fotal of the communities, attended the third annual continuation session the third annual continuation session of the summer school for teaching Sistemark.

### **Will Begin Construction** Of Three Dwellings

Building construction is about to be gin on three two-story brick dwellings at 2230 to 2234 Eleventh street northwest, by Harry A. Kite, who will also own the his return from Washington, was chalheight. In the basement will be counted the laboratories, and in the two upper floors where most of the instruments will be attached to the "vibrationless' walls, the important work of the scientists will be conducted.

PARIS. Sept. 27—A shower of bananing properties as an investment. The estimated cost is \$7,500. The dwellings will be finished in red tapestry brick, and will set upon a terrection of the scientists will be conducted. properties as an investment. The esti-mated cost is \$7,500.

The dwellings will be finished in red Hamilton Club and debate the initiative.

### Building Permits Issued This Week

Red Cross Association, to erect metal shed on Varnum street between Thireenth and Fourteenth streets north-John W. Glennan, to erect one two-

J. L. Butler, to build one two-story brick addition at 1624 O street northwest. \$1,500. Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, repairs at 2 Jackson place north-west, \$1,600. Jacob Schwartz, to convert existing

brick building into public garage at 1:10 Six-nad-a-half street northwest. Antioch Baptist Church, to erect one-story temporary metal church on Nintn street between Florida avenue and Barry place northwest, \$500.
Washington Gas Light Company, to build addition on Twenty-sixth street between G and H streets northwest,

Frank Leonard, to erect one two-story brick dwelling at 459 Delaware avenue southwest, \$2,900.

Shoreham Hotel Company, to build cold storage in basement at Fifteenth and H streets northwest, \$1,000.

O. B. Harlow, to move house on same parcel and put in brick piers, on Sheriff road near Forty-eighth street northcast, \$500.

Washington, New Theater, Company cast, \$500. Washington New Theater Company

to construct vault on northeast corner of Thirteenth and F streets northwest, of Thirteenth and F streets northwest, \$5,000.

W. W. Hope, to erect one two-story frame dwelling on Gault place between Minnesota avenue and Forty-second street northeast, \$1,500.

St John's Church, to install two motors at Sixteenth and H streets northwest, \$9,800.

Arthur Carr, trustee, to erect two-story brick dwelling at 4304 Georgia avenue northwest, \$3,000. Walker & Johnson, to erect one nine-

story brick office building at 1734 New story brick office building at 1734 New York avenue northwest.

I. Miller, to build a two-story and basement brick rear addition at 408 Sixth street northwest, \$1,000.

Shoreham Hotel Company, to install electric passenger elevator at Fifteenth and H streets northwest, \$,000.

John T. Trapp, to erect one two-story and cellar brick dwelling at 25 T street northeast, \$2,400.

J. W. Gregg, to replace two show windows at 1321 Seventh street northwest, \$1,000.

Abraham Eisenberg, repairs at 942 F story frame dwelling at 4830 Foote street

Abraham Eisenberg, repairs at 942 F street northwest, \$2,000. W. M. Dave, repairs at 723 Fourth

street southeast, \$500. Mrs. A. C. Osborn, to pebble dash old front and erect side addition at 5,000 Georgia avenue northwest, \$2,000. H. A. Kite, to erect three two-story brick dwellings at 2230-234 Eleventh street northwest, \$7,500.

B. R. Heritage, remodel second floor into two apartments and first floor into two stores at 126 G street northwest

H. M. Crandall, to erect colonnade an repairs on southeast corner of Ninth and E streets northwest, \$16,845. lighteenth street northwest, \$850 C. H. Frazoni, to erect one two-story brick flat at 1350 H street northeast \$6,000

M. A. Leese, addition at 710 Elevent street northwest, \$2,500. M. B. Newman, repairs at 3030 Twelft street northwest, \$500.

# TO OPEN TUESDAY!

Many Improvements and Additions Made to Buildings of University.

With an increased faculty and student twenty-two years since it was founded, the Catholic University of America will open its doors next Tuesday morning. A new dining hall and kitchen, 260 feet long is now nearing completion, a fourth story has been put on the Convent building in the rear of Divinity Hall, the athletic field has been enlarged, and the library has been encreased by the addition of several hundred rare volumes. These and other improvements made since the close of the term last spring will do much toward making the coming year the most successful the University has ever had.

The Republication of the complete the complet

The enrollment in the freshman class already exceeds 150, and other names will be added before Tuesday morning. In this number is represented almost every State in the Union, which is indic-

New Teachers.

Six new instructors have been appointed in this department, the only ing secretary, Mrs. Morley; treasurer, other change there being the absence Mrs. Tucker. Mrs. Morley was elected other change there being the absence other change there being the absence of Prof. Fred K. Merriman, who had charge of the civil engineering classes for three years, but who has left the convention and the sessions of the sessi

Gives Histories. The treasurer of the university, Michael Jenkins, of Baltimore, recently gave the university 250 volumes of Maryland Local Architect For history and biography. Two fine foliovolumes of the facsimile edition of the Babylonie Talmud, a most valuable bit

A kitchen thoroughly modern in all its appointments will be installed in the appointments will be installed in the basement. The architectural style will be very similar to that of the Cardinal Gibbons memorial hall, but instead of one tower, as the latter has it will have total of 33 Sisters, representing

orders and communities, attended ters, which closed at the Catholic I in-versity this week. The courses were six weeks long, and more than forty instructors were employed in teaching the sciences, mathematics, languages and other educational subjects.

#### Merriam Challenges Cannon.

CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—"Uncle Joe" Car on, who is expected to seek the Reand recall with Alderman the mo

## PYLES IS CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY BOARD

Registration Officers of Prince George to Receive Books Next Monday.

HYATTSVILLE, Md., Sept. 27.-At a ing of the Republican State Central Committee for Prince George county at Upper Marlboro, Wallace R. Pyles was elected chairman and Clarness thoroughfare in Washington, is a common great expense. A copper roof and spouting presents a surprise in building construction which is seldom found in ence M. Bond secretary. The other members of the committee are W. Claud Smith, Thomas M. Underwood and John A. Brown. The candidates or the county Republican ticket met and elected Francis S. Carmody, candidate for the State senate, chairman, and S Gardner Coale secretary and treasurer.
A committee of three will be named in each of the nineteen election districts

The Republican and Democratic registration officers of the various ele districts of the county are required to be in Upper Marlboro next Monday to receive the registration books.

The Hyattsville Woman's Christian Temperance Union celebrated its sec ond anniversary yesterday at the home of Mrs. A. W. Rudisill, on Wine avenue. The following officers were electnue. The following officers were elect-ed: president, Mrs. A. W. Rudisill; vice president, Mrs. O. A. Kays; correspond-ing secretary, Mrs. James King; record-

ton, Charles Lenhardt, Raymond Stan-ton, Charles Lenhardt, Raymond Czarra, Carri Fray, Clay Stanton, Clay-ton James, Aubrey Knowles, Edgar Czarra, Baker and Moorse,

## "Mysterious" Building

of Oriental literature, are the gift of the Very Rev. Dr. Henry Hyvernat, professor of Oriental languages.

The new dining hall now in course of construction will seat 600 students, and will provide living quarters for eighty. A kitchen thoroughly modern in all its appointments will be installed in plans to be designed for the "mysteenth and F streets northwest was givulged today. A great number of the most reputable architects in Washington have been considered by the F. H. Smith Company, real estate brokers, in a competition which has but recently been opened to local designers.

They have caught the contagion, and have adopted as grim a secretiveness in regard to the contemplated struc-ture as the F. H. Smith Company has

for the last month. **Board of Trade Asks** 

## Aid to Beautify City

Asking for their support in getting through Congress the McMillan plan for parks in the Capital, the special park through Congress the McMillan plan for parks in the Capital, the special park commission of the Board of Trade has commission of the Board of Trade has commission of the Board of Trade has commission throughout the country. It is pointed out in the letter to the trade bodies that Washington, as the Capital of the country, should be made the most beautiful city in the United States.

forced concrete poured into steel forms. The development, which has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development which has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development which has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development which has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development which has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development which has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development which has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development" because Milton Dana Morrill, of Brooklyn, the inventor, made his first tests across the Potomac, is now reported to have become widespread in its popularity. A cement city has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development" because Milton Dana Morrill, of Brooklyn, the inventor, made his first tests across the Potomac, is now reported to have become widespread in its popularity. A cement city has been called universally "the Virginia Highlands development" because Milton Dana Morrill, of Brooklyn, the inventor, made his forced concrete poured.

### DECRIES BUILDING OF TALL STRUCTURES

Waddy B. Wood Deprecates Work Near Union Station Is Hue and Cry for Height in Washington.

Is Washington being diverted from the sursuance of the city beautiful movement which is, and always has oeen Union Station, which has been in progwith any local spirit? Is commercialism getting hold of the

city, so that there is a present tendency toward ragged buildings, built commer cially, and not aesthetically?

cially, and not aesthetically?

In the opinion of Waddy B. Wood, one of Washington's most prominent architects and local spirited citizens, there is a tendency in that direction.

"There seems to be a desire on the part of commercial men to want to erect tall buildings in this city," said Mr. Wood this morning. "There is always a hue and cry for permission to extend the height of local buildings, so that, instead of a Washington as it has always been, we would have a New York, decidedly what we do not want."

"Washington's chief asset is ner beautiful in the world. As such it would attract residents and commerce. Should the policy of New York and the larger commercial cities be followed we should lose that beauty, and when that is lost, Washington loses her chief attraction, and it follows, much of her commerce."

Revival of Roman.

"The Capital city is classic as shown in its architecture, which is but a re-vival of the Roman. To that style we should always adhere religiously, and that implies an absence of tall buildings for a classic building cannot be tall and artistic. To the professional and one for a classic building cannot be tall and artistic. To the professional and one trained in architectural evolution, an affront to the classical rule is shown in the War, State and Navy building, which features the French style, and was simply misapplied in a city where the classic form had already been set. That structure followed the erection of the Capital and the Treasury which the Capitol and the Treasury, which are strictly Roman.

We are Roman in our imitation, and it is but logical that we should be. We are people with political ideals nearer to the Roman than to any other government the world has ever known, and it is not unreasonable that those ideals should be reflected in our architecture. Paris set an example of architectural arrangement and beauty before the world that was quickly imitated by the great European clities. And Paris is and always has been the greatest shorping. great European cities. And Paris is and always has been the greatest shopping center of all time. It has always held undisputed title to being the most beautiful and most popular residential center of the modern world. We have the fundamental ideals that Paris has. L'Enfant, who designed this city, saw to it that our city should be laid out in general lines similar to those of the capital of his country.

Depreciate Values.

"Commercialism, with its selfish imulses, wants now to destroy what the artist destroyed. Commercialism wants tall buildings, because they increase business. As a matter of fact, they do not achieve this aim, but tend to depreciate real estate values, and are certainly a menace to the small man who is located in their shadows. This from commercial, an artistic and a sanitary point of view.
It follows that ultimately our com-merce will suffer for mistakes we may

"That the building regulations, as existing now, allow an owner of property to build bay windows projecting over the building line and on Govern-ment property is a development which should be discouraged. The bay win-was erected with great care and at a

"Paris has no projecting show windows in her shops, and her streets are more attractive. They are made to re-semble a garden, and more air is given the pedestrian, and more lift is given the pedestrian, and more light and air are given to the business man behind shop windows. It was originally be-lieved that the bay window idea im-proved Washington's picturesqueness and general beauty.

Grasps Opportunity.

privilege is grasped by the roperty holder, as he is allowed to bulld on Government property without paying taxes on the space he occupies "Washington is a happy hunting ground for architects from other cities with political pull. They care less for the ideals in beauty development that are nearer the heart of the local architect, and they are unmercifully willing to erect any sort of a structure here. "Washington's fraternity of architects numbers men who are as high in their profession as any in the country, imbue the local business men with higher architectural ideals is latent in

George F. Huff, widow of former Congressman Huff, to the Argentine Lega-The handsome property on the north-west corner of New Hampshire avenue and Q streets will be occupied by the Argentine government as its permanent

parters here. The consideration was Moving from temporary quarters at 22 Jackson place northwest and from the old winter quarters at 1728 Twenty-first street northwest is about to be be-gun, and it is believed by attaches of the legation, that they will be establish-ed in their new home by October 1.

### **Concrete City Poured** On the Mojave Desert

In imitation of the successful tests made on Virginia Highlands in late years, of the concrete house, a city promising to be one of the most inter-esting in the world is now in course of construction on the Mojave Desert, in the heart of California. The city's being built to house the workers in an immense borax plant, and its factories, stores, warehouses, residences are all being made of forced concrete poured into steel forms

## LANDMARKS TO GO

Progressing Nicely-Row of Houses Destroyed.

Clearing two blocks of buildings for the new plaza between the Capitol and ress since September 15, between Delaware and New Jersey avenues, B and C streets northeast, is concentrated at present on North Capitol street, and a

In order that there will be no congestion in the clearing only one block at a time is being put upon the market by Mr. Phillips, who has bought them from the Government, and love or money will not permit a buyer to touch a property in the block between New Jersey avenue and North Capitol street until the other block is cleared. This block, when cleared, will admit of a clear view from the Capitol to the Union Station. It will be immediately leveled and grass planted on it.

Landmark To Go.

Washington Inn, a famous landmark, dating back to 1738-99, when two restwere erected for George Washington and later merged into the present structure, is attracting the interest of historical societies for the valued fixtures which date back to the day when Washington had them installed. The historical structure is located on the west side of North Capital street in the west side of North Capitol street in the middle of the block, between B and C streets. It is included in the "forbidden block" as Mr. Phillips terms it, and no contracts will be closed on purchasing any of the property there for two or three weeks yet.

Despite the closing of final purchases, the local order of the Daughters of the American Revolution has made overtures toward obtaining some of the historical fixtures within the famous structure. Of paramount interest to them is torical fixtures within the famous structure. Of paramount interest to them is
a set of hand-carved white marble
mantles of the old Colonial design,
which are a rarity in this present age,
and which the D. A. R. will in all probability, secure from Mr. Phillips. The
mantels were installed as permanent
fixtures at the time when Washington
had the residences erected, and they
are among other treasures which survived the fire when the British-burned
the property in 1815.

Tablet To Be Erected. A tablet will be erected on the site wnere the Washington Inn now stands by the D. A. R. as a memento of the andmark to be wrecked, and Mr. Phillips has consented to furnish for the purpose some of the original stone taken from the structure to further the

historical associations of the tablet, At 261 North Capitol street, which is about to be wrecked, a residence has een found that has astonished the vreckers. It is not an especially pretentious residence for that vicinity, but it is an old-fashioned brick dwelling that was erected long ago. The astonishing features which interest the profesthis day. Mantles within the residence are done in rare species of red wood. Of greatest value is the stone work found about the building. It is constructed from Hummelstown brown-stone, one of the rarest and most valu-able building stones that is known, and it alone, said Mr. Phillips, must have cost thousands of dollars. The Hummelstown commodity seldom is avail-able today, and is found in quarries in

### **Church Improvements** Are Nearly Finished

Improvements which have been in rogress on St. Margaret's Episcopal Church on the northwest corner of Connecticut avenue and Bancroft place northwest are about completed, and the new Sunday school addition which has been the chief improvement will be reopened about October 15. The estimated cost of improvements has amounted to \$20,000.

General remodeling and the absolute movation in erecting a new addition of considerable dimensions has utterly changed the aspect of the church. The extensive addition which is built for two stories adjoining the main property Argentine Legation

Buys Huff Residence

Negotiations sealing the transfer of the property at 1600 New Hampshire avenue were made this week by Mrs.

Two stories adjoining the main property contains a Sunday school room on the first floor and a Sunday school library and a pastor's room on the second floor.

A stage has been erected in the Sunday school will be used for entertainments given by the parish and for featuring stereopticon slides.

Georgia pine has been generously used in interior woodwork. The floor of the main Sunday school has been laid in this material as well as a great deal of the ornamental beam and ceiling decorations.

rations. In harmony with the rest of the In harmony with the rest of the church, the exterior has been done in red brick trimmed with Indiana limestone, the general architectural details suggesting the Gothic.

Especially beautiful details have been emphasized on the doors of the new addition, and these are surmounted by stained glass windows as seen from the interior of the new building.

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